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PART ONE (Unevaluated by D/I USAF-ONI)

NETHERLANDS-----DUTCH JETS TO PARTICIPATE IN BRITISH AIR EXERCISE. According to the semi-official press two Dutch jet fighter squadrons of eight aircraft each will participate in the British "Emperor" air exercise beginning 11 October. CAFIN 67478 6 October. Confidential.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA-----DETAILS OF RECENT AIR DEFECTION. Further details are now available on the defection of a Czech National Airlines C-47 to England on 30 September. The aircraft took off from Prague on a test flight. A landing was made at an abandoned airfield north of Prague where several ex-RAF aircrewmen and their families were picked up and the flight proceeded to England. All ex-RAF personnel in the CSA have been grounded. The grounding may be only temporary however, since the ex-RAF pilots are the only personnel documented for western flights and who understand English well enough to follow ATC instructions. CAFIN 67468 6 Oct. Secret.

CHINA-----BRITISH ESTIMATE OF CHINESE COMMUNIST INTENTIONS. CIA has forwarded a tentative informal estimate prepared by British JIS for British JIC regarding Chinese Communist action in the event of non-South Korean forces crossing the 38th Parallel. The lines of action open to the Chinese Communist are:

1. Take no military action but intensify propaganda and cold war tactics.

2. Under the guise of volunteers, place Chinese troops under North Korean commanders to continue the war.

3. Deny portions of North Korea to UN troops by occupying same, but with intentions of avoiding war with the UN.

4. Open support of North Korea against UN forces.

The British believe alternative (1) is the most probable, and some combination of (2) and (3) is slightly less probable. TS 4803 7 October. CIA Top Secret.

CHINA-----REPORT OF HIGH LEVEL CONFERENCE AT CHANGCHUN. According to a report from a Chinese Nationalist source which cannot be evaluated, there was a conference at Changchun, Manchuria, on 20 September, between high-ranking Chinese and Korean officials. The conference allegedly included Chu Teh and Kim Il-song as well as a Soviet adviser who arrived from Khabarovsk. The purpose of of the meeting was to discuss the possibility of UN forces crossing the 38th Parallel. CAFIN 67533 7 Oct. Secret.

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PART TWO (Preliminary Evaluation by D/I USAF-ONI)

AUSTRIA-----EFFECTS OF COMMUNIST FAILURE TO CREATE WIDESPREAD DISORDERS. According to a report from the Commanding General, U. S. Forces in Austria, preliminary indications are that the effect on the prestige of the Austrian Communist Party, and on the Soviet element itself, of last weeks failure to set off widespread disorders, will be enormous. Government officials believe that Austrian resistance toward the Communist Party in the Soviet Zone will be much firmer in the future. CGUSFA adds that the nuisance value of the Communist Party will be considerably curtailed for some time to come. CAFIN 67523 6 Oct. Secret.

D/I USAF COMMENT: The above optimistic comment could of course be invalidated by Soviet refusal to accept the recent defeat by initiating a strong Soviet course of action in support of the Communist Party in Austria.

YUGOSLAVIA-----YUGOSLAV-AUSTRIAN RELATIONS. Relations between Yugoslavia and Austria, which have been improving quietly but steadily for some months were seriously threatened last week by a speech of the Yugoslav Vice Premier of Slovenia, condemning as an unfriendly act the forthcoming celebration on October 10 at Graz, Austria, of the Carinthian plebescite anniversary.

CABLE COMMENT: The sudden raising of the Slovene minority issue in Austria was closely similar to the equally unwarranted raising of the Macedonian issue by the Yugislav foreign minister when Greek-Yugoslav relations showed signs of improvement a few months ago. The Austrian representative in Yugoslavia assured the US Ambassador that inflammatory speeches of this kind have long been made about Carinthia and probably will create excitement for the movement but will not have a permanent effect on Austrian-Yugoslav relations. CAFIN 67396 7 Oct. 50 Secret.

D/I USAF COMMENT: It is interesting to note that such a speech should be made when Yugoslavia is attempting to negotiate a large grant of funds in the US to alleviate its food shortage.

CHINA-----DEPARTURE OF SOVIET SHIPS FROM HONG KONG. Two Soviet merchant ships departed Hong Kong for Canton without cargo on the night of 3 October. Both had been at Hong Kong for some months but their departure was made after typhoon warnings had been raised. Both ships were bunkered at Hong Kong. CAFIN 67346 6 Oct. Confidential.

D/I USAF COMMENT: The departure of the ships in the face of typhoon warnings might indicate that they were obeying urgent orders. Another source which cannot be evaluated mentions that Chinese troops are being moved into positions to permit their transportation to Manchuria by ship in the case of involvement in the Korean war. (CAFIN 67533 7 Oct) However, there is no evidence that these ships are to participate in such an operation.

CHINA-----UNCONFIRMED REPORT THAT A CHINESE COMMUNIST ARMY IS IN NORTH KOREA. According to an unofficial Chinese Nationalist source evaluated by CIA Field Agency as C-3 there is one army of Chinese Communists already at Sinuiju, North Korea (across the Yalu River from Antung). Two other armies are at Antung, the three making up a force of 90,000 men of the Fourth Field Army. CAFIN 67533 7 Oct. Secret.

D/I USAF COMMENT: Report not confirmed. 'But mention of armies' having twenty-four 120-ton Soviet tanks causes doubt of reliability of information.